

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable. I am retired and bought a cell phone for emergency use only. It is used very little, and I want it to stay affordable. I also buy calling cards for my long distance calls, because it was more affordable. It is my understanding you plan to increase the cost of these as well. What, exactly, does this do for all the senior citizens in this country, other than make it more difficult to make ends meet? I would appreciate an explanation.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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